

Chaos, Confusion, It's Registration Time Again!

By PAULETTE V. WALKER
Editor-in-Chief

It is that time of the year again — registration. Traditionally, it is a time that Clark Atlanta University students have viewed as a necessary evil. "I expect to be in line for quite some time," groaned Charronne Pittman, a senior from West Palm Beach, Fla. Ms. Pittman didn't realize that it would take two days to complete the process.

Many returning students have complained that the registration process has declined in efficiency this year. One senior, who transferred to Georgia State University for one semester, returned to CAU to find the progress at a stalemate. "This year, it (the registration process) is the worst it's been since my freshman year," said the student, who did not wish to be identified. "At Georgia State, the process was very simple. All I had to do was call in my classes, take care of my financial obligations and I was done."

Franchesta Hall, a transfer student from Wiley College in Marshall, Texas had been trying to register for three days. "This process has been very disorganized," said Ms. Hall. "I wandered around campus for two days with absolutely no

information — they just kept sending me to different stations. I love CAU already, but I am disgusted with the registration process."

According to Dr. Frederick A. Fresh, the director of enrollment management at CAU, the Registrar's Office did a lot more this summer to provide the new students with information.

"All new students were sent booklets that provided detailed information on the registration and enrollment process," said Dr. Fresh. "We took a list of the freshmen that were accepted and gave it to the General Education Department. They made schedules for the freshmen and as a result, they were pre-registered before they arrived."

As of Tuesday, 980 new students were registered. "We were able to register 700 of the freshmen before official registration began," said Dr. Fresh.

"We want the freshmen to be familiar with our new method of registration. We are training them on the new procedures, so that for them the registration process will be more effective in the future."

"We encountered a problem Monday that stemmed from an error in alphabet control," said Dr. Fresh. "I didn't realize until it was too late that A, B, C, and

W, were some of the largest alphabets represented at CAU. Tuesday, we eliminated that problem by issuing appointment cards so that the students would not have to wait in those long lines."

Although many students still complain that the process is going down hill, Dr. Fresh disagrees. He has noticed many areas of improvement.

"Last Fall, we sent out evaluation forms," said Dr. Fresh. "After reviewing the results, we re-arranged the registration process, effective fall 1990. This new process allows the students more control over what happens when they pre-register for their classes."

According to Dr. Fresh, the problems arose this summer when students failed to respond to summer mailings. "This summer, we sent pre-billing statements that included pre-registered schedules to all students who pre-registered. At that time, they were to review the bill, take care of financial obligations, make any necessary changes to their schedules and send the package back in the return envelope provided. Had they done that, they would have avoided the entire registration process, including the lines."

Not many students had the foresight or resources to reply

over the summer. According to the Registrar's Office, out of the 1,600 students that pre-registered, less than 10 took advantage of the summer registration process.

"Initially, we were going to use the appointment cards to register students this year, but that method would have required us to extend the registration process," said Dr. Fresh. "If more students had taken advantage of our summer registration procedure, we would have had to deal with no more than 600 students with special situations."

Despite the efforts to smooth the way for prepared students, there are still some glitches in the system. Many students, whose tuition was covered by scholarships, loans, or tuition waivers, still had to endure long waits in the financial aid line before registering. According to Dr. Fresh, these students may have had problems resulting from an incomplete financial aid file.

"What we experience as we change our policies and procedures is that some individuals will continue to operate on past procedures," said Dr. Fresh. "We sent out mailings to encourage students to participate in the new process. We realize that some folks won't get their mailings

due to mis-routed mail and such. But the only students who should be registering this week are those who need adjustments."

Pre-registering and taking care of financial obligations early is the key to eliminating the stress of registration. "Pre-registering also gives the academic deans an opportunity to assess whether more classes are needed, or some courses need to be dropped, etc.," said Dr. Fresh.

What about telephone and computer registration?

"The registrars in the AUC meet regularly to discuss new registration techniques," said Dr. Fresh. "We are all aware of the advantages of employing telephone and computerized registration, but in order to do that, you need resources. Right now, it is a matter of when it will become a priority. Telephone registration is competing with library needs, building dormitories and other things that we are trying to accomplish. I don't think telephone registration is far off, it's just a matter of when its turn will come up."

It may seem that registration will never be a pleasant process, but Dr. Fresh feels that there are brighter days ahead.

"Don't despair! we are working with you. The success of this process requires a team effort."

New Science Building Catches Fire

By VANESSA CROCKETT
Lifestyle Editor

Sparks from a welding torch was the apparent cause of a fire that broke out on the top floor of the CAU's Research Center for Science and Technology Thursday afternoon, according to fire officials. The blaze in the \$36 million building which is now under construction was brought under control in about 20 minutes.

Students, faculty and staff fought back the heavy smoke as they curiously watched the firefighters battle the flames.

The unofficial report from Getchell Caldwell, Vice-President for Development, was that workers were doing some roofing and miscellaneous steel work which perhaps caused the fire.

According to Tom Perrin, Fire Chief of the Atlanta Fire Department, "The fire ignited while workers were doing some work which involved polyurethane."

"There is an arson investigation to ascertain cause of the fire," said Perrin.

An arson investigation is routine and there was no cause for alarm, he added. It was probably caused by the welding going on at the time.

Although the firemen faced the problem of getting to the top of the building, they were able to safely evacuate everyone without injuries.

The estimated amount of damage was not available at this time. However, the structural damage appeared to be at a minimum.

The building, which has not been named, will house Arts & Science students and is still expected to be completed in 1992.



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Student Activities Director

Guide Corps Spices Up New Students Orientation

By **PAULETTE V. WALKER**
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Nearly a thousand new students arrived on the campus of Clark Atlanta University in the last week and a half. With the influx of such a large number, one might expect to have seen many of them wandering around the university, hopelessly lost.

Not so here at CAU! Thanks to the CAU Orientation Guide Corps, the new students had help on hand when it came to moving into their rooms, registering, testing, showing up at the right place at the right time, or just company and support.

The Orientation Guide Corps, a group of 80 CAU students, has long been the source of help and guidance for new students arriving here throughout the years.

Any student at CAU can become a member of the Orientation Guide Corps, but there are requirements — and the competition is fierce. Applications are accepted toward the end of each Spring semester for the following Fall. Last spring, 210 students applied, but only 80 were accepted.

"When choosing orientation guides, I look for students who are well-rounded academically and socially, and have displayed leadership and a willingness to help others," said Michelle Rhodes, the director of Student Activities at CAU.

Ms. Rhodes organized the Orientation Guide Corps and planned the entire week of freshmen orientation activities.

"The purpose of the Orientation Guide Corps is to enlighten, enhance and motivate the new incoming students," said Rhodes. "We (the Orientation Guide Corps) are there to aid them in adapting to life and procedures at the university."

This is Ms. Rhodes' second year organizing freshman and transfer student orientation, and also organizing the force of the Orientation Guides. As an alumna of Clark College, Ms. Rhodes has a unique perspective into the orientation process. As a freshman, she benefited from the help of a guide and for three years, she offered her services as a guide.

"There have been a few changes made since I was a guide," said Ms. Rhodes. "Most notably is the name; it used to be called the Freshman Guide Corps, but when I began organizing it, I found that guides were there for all new students — transfer as well as freshmen. So now it is called the Orientation Guide Corps."

Some of the other changes include an extended training period for the members of the Orientation Guide Corps. "This year, the members came back to campus a week before the freshmen were to arrive," said Rhodes. "During this week, they went through an intensive training program that included various seminars."

The topics of these seminars ranged from customer service skills to a refresher course re-orienting the guides with the various buildings on the recently consolidated campus.

The members of the Corps were also required to become familiar with the history of Clark College and Atlanta University and were frequently tested on it throughout the training period.

A professional image was also enforced this year. "We got uniforms, not to look good, but as a way of assuring the parents that we were professional and there to assist them and their students, not just to play around," said Senita Hunter, a member of the Orientation Guide Corps and chairman of the Corps' program committee.

However, there was some playing involved. Although the new students were kept very busy throughout the week with testing and registering, they also had a lot of fun. Some of the activities included a party on the yard, an AUC Unity Block Party, an impromptu talent showcase — at 3 a.m., and a skating party.

"It's a lot of fun being an Orientation Guide," said Hunter. "But many students don't realize the hard work that is involved and the dedication that is required."

Hunter ended her summer internship in Detroit early, so that she could participate in the training program. During Freshmen Orientation Week, she put in over 17 hours of volunteer service a day.

"All of the guides, especially Michelle (Rhodes) worked very hard to make this Orientation a success," said Hunter.

Bridgette Harris, the student chairperson of the Orientation Guide Corp, said her biggest challenge as chairperson, was assuring the guides that their services were both needed, appreciated, and acknowledged by parents and students.

"We (Guides) are an important part of the new students' comfortably adapting to the university," said Harris. As a freshmen, Harris herself was immediately impressed by the caring attitudes of the Guides. "My mother still talks about how nice and helpful they were when we arrived."

Why do they do it — do they get paid? No. The services rendered by the Orientation Guide Corps are strictly voluntary. For Ms. Rhodes, it is the personal satisfaction she gets from helping young students grow and develop.

The members of the Corps get varying rewards out of the experience. "I get a thrill at seeing students come in totally disoriented, and then feeling more and more at home with our help," said Mark Tyler, the 1989-90 Student Government Association president, and a third-year Orientation Guide.

Although expressed in different ways, other members of the Guide Corps share Tyler's sentiment. They see their service to new students as a way of preparing them for excellence in the future by greeting them with excellence today.

Freshmen Prepare For Elections

By **STEPHEN THOMAS**

Contributing Writer

Three candidates are vying for the post of Freshman Class president. The elections which will take place Sept. 5, are being coordinated by Student Government Association president Jamye Pleasant.

The candidates for president are Terrence Cummings, Henry Hayes, and Melakia Jones. Candidates for class vice president include ZeEster Browning and Kevin Dobbins.

"I want to uplift the morale of the student body," Ms. Pleasant said. "I'm looking forward to having joint participation between students. Freshmen will work with graduate students, juniors, and seniors," she explained at a meeting Tuesday. The meeting, in Thayer Hall's student lounge, allowed the students interested in running for office to sign up and learn of responsibilities and rules. A small group of about 15 attended the meeting.

Angie Chivers and Herbie Smith are class secretary hopefuls. Melika Harris, Brian

Kensey, and Kenyatta Rogers are running for class treasurer. Higher judiciary candidates are Janice Barlow, ZeEster Browning, and Ireyan Clark. Melakia Jones is currently the lone candidate for the lower judiciary post. SGA representative candidates are Jinkowye Anekwee, Kelli Pack, Mia Rolle, Stephen Thomas. Candidates for Miss Freshman include Vanessa Brooks and Aida Coleman. Cory Echols and Henry Hays are candidates for Mr. Freshman.

"Every office is what the candidate brings to it. You may be the treasurer, but that is not all that you have to be," said Ms. Pleasant. "You are representing your class, you must have a good rapport with your classmates. Officers are dignitaries for their class. They must capture the essence of the class."

Students can get involved by contacting the SGA office at 880-8105. Freshmen will have an opportunity to hear their candidates speak on Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. in Davage Auditorium.

Showtime At CAU

By **SONIA WHITE**

Staff Writer

How many of you have ever watched "Showtime at the Apollo?" Well, even if you have not, last Sunday Clarkites gave their own rendition of this talent extravaganza.

This impromptu show, held in Davage Auditorium was a part of the freshman and transfer orientation festivities. It was a night to remember.

Some of the acts included Candy Smith's version of Anita Baker's "Been So Long," The Ladies of Delta Sigma Theta — Vickie Craft, T.J. Huddleston, Shirron Jeffereys and Charmaine Williams — "Jammin for Sisterhood," and a few of the freshman chose to imitate their guide directors — "Pfeiffer Hall Tribute to the Guides."

CAU spirit was in full effect, which was lead by the orientation crew. There was lots of audience participation, standing ovations, waving arms and a call and response of C-A-U repeatedly.

There were many other events scheduled for orientation, which included Roller Skating at Sreamin' Wheels, a trip to Six Flags Over Georgia and induction dinners.

Michelle Rhodes, director of Student Activities, was in charge of the orientation.

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Why Are They After Barry?

By STEPHANIE L. WALKER

Staff Writer

Washington Mayor Marion Barry's trial is now history. The trial left many questions unanswered. Will there be another trial? Will Washington D.C. heal? Will the nation heal? After an emotional laden 10week long trial on drug and perjury charges, Barry asked the people of Washington for forgiveness.

"If our city is to heal, we must forget about this," he said in an emotional half hour speech. "Let go! Let go! I call on the United States Government to join in this healing. Just as I must examine its conduct, the United States Government must examine its conduct, so Americans must not live in fear that their rights are being trampled." Barry concluded.

The nation's capital as well as the citizens all over the country, have been divided over Barry's case. The jury found Barry guilty of possession of cocaine a misdemeanor and was unable to track a consensus on the remaining 12 charges in the indictment, three of them felonies.

But the larger questions are: Should we question so closely the private lives of our elected officials with such a large microscope? Should those officials be the perfect Ossie & Harriet, Father Knows Best types? Can anyone run for office and have their life scrutinized to the finest detail?

History tells us that George Washington was known to have enjoyed the pleasures of certain African American slave women with or without Martha's knowledge. What of Thomas Jefferson's affair with a mulatto slave Sally Hemmings who bore him five children. Catherine, Empress of Russia, enjoyed the pleasures of her palace guards. Henry VIII died of syphilis. Queen Elizabeth was anything but a virgin queen.

Recent history would tell that Franklin D. Roosevelt, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson had lengthy affairs with women other than their wives while in office.

Then there's Watergate, Irangate, HUD, S&L's, male prostitution on Capitol Hill, free plane trips and silent partnerships, etc. The Justice Department would go broke setting up stings on our elected officials everytime sex was offered, cocaine was offered, or illegal money was exchanged.

History will judge whether this republic is honest or corrupt in selecting its political officials.

There was a man who didn't smoke, drink, womanize, eat meat, worked hard, was gracious with women and was adored by children. He was known affectionately as "Uncle" his name, Adolph Hitler.

Thank You, Dr. Cole

By CYDNEY WILLIAMS

Managing Editor

Our dedicated *Panther* staff has worked hard to produce two superb issues this semester. The hours have been long because we have only three operational terminals and we are working with outdated equipment. According to President Cole, we will be getting new equipment. We can then assure you a better newspaper. Thank you, Dr. Cole.



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Are We Moving Backwards?

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Are we moving backwards? Why was the registration process decentralized this year? It's simpler to have all the departments represented in the gym like it's always been.

In the midst of Clark Atlanta University's progress and strides toward becoming a "world-class" institution, is the seemingly unsolvable problem of "registration hassle." On paper, the registration process seems air-tight: pre-registration with counselling, confirmation by mail, computerized class selection, drop-add with faculty approval, a built-in override system, on-line financial aid and business office compute system. But still there is hassle after hassle, delays to class attendance and numerous complaints among the student body.

The most commonly heard explanations for the breakdown in the system is, "the computers are down," "yes, your paperwork has been completed, but your grant has not been approved yet," or "we did not approve your scholarship because you signed your name only four times and missed the fifth blank." Is it any wonder that the registration procedures leave the freshmen in complete frustration, bewilderment, and disenchantment. To add to the overall frustrating situation is the unsettling effect all of this has on the parents, most of whom live long distances from Atlanta, and are made to feel helpless in their efforts to assist their children. Obviously, this is no way for a freshman or transfer student to begin a college career and for the university to win the trust and respect of parents.

For the most part, students understand and respect the need for some of the long lines. They

appreciate the need to check students' academic and financial standing. Their feelings of frustration and anxiety are caused by the disregard and lack of concern some staff and personnel show for students' individual circumstances. Students do not expect the administration and staff to work miracles or to give preferential treatment; however, they do expect to be treated with courtesy and respect.

Please, do not take these comments as a general condemnation of the CAU administration and staff. There are a few administrators and staff members who are committed to a smooth and hassle-free registration. In fact, our president, Dr. Thomas Cole, has offered and made himself available for student input on any matters of concern.

Here are some tips that might be helpful in easing the hassle associated with the new, yet still-hassling registration. These tips may also be used in minimizing the negative comments of students:

— Permit students who have pre-registered to make schedule adjustments during the summer months.

— Set up separate divisions in the Financial Aid Office to handle academic scholarships, athletic scholarships, student loans and federal grants. Provide students with hourly updates on the status of grant applications. Updates could be given on the university television monitors by using social security numbers to identify students.

— Set up a parents' hotline manned by well informed and sensitive staff members.

— Encourage staff to develop a greater sense of caring and compassion for students, 'their clients.'

Say No To Virginia Beach



By PAULETTE V. WALKER

Editor-in-Chief

As the Labor Day weekend approaches, many students find themselves facing the decision of what to do for that last "summer fling." As in the past, many will opt for the popular Labor Day hot spot, Virginia Beach.

Merchants of the beachfront hotels and shops have long disliked the large assembly of African American students. Students themselves have often complained of not receiving the welcome receptions that their White counterparts receive when they engulf Daytona Beach and Fort Lauderdale. But despite these facts, Virginia Beach has been the place to be during the Labor Day weekend for the past five years.

In 1989, 100,000 of our "talented tenth" gathered at Virginia Beach for a good time. The celebration quickly turned into an angry melee that frighteningly resembled the police brutality that occurred a generation ago when young Blacks in the South were beaten because they sought to sit at a five-and-dime lunch counter with Whites.

One incident involved a group of Greeks assembled to step on Atlantic Avenue. Police in armored trucks announced to the crowd that they "represented an unlawful assembly" and should disperse immediately. As if the students

did not understand English, an officer threw a smoke bomb into the crowd of students.

Many other incidents occurred. Reports say that nearly 200 students were jailed and 400 received citations for various offenses.

In January, a commission that investigated the Virginia Beach incident concluded that race was a factor — this was already suspected, but now it is official. Often in the past, African Americans have received mixed messages from Whites, but at Virginia Beach, the message is crystal clear: "Blacks — Stay Away!"

Virginia Beach city officials have been planning for months now, preparing for GreekFest 90'. They have many activities and parties scheduled and they plan to be in complete control of every event — insuring that each is heavily patrolled by police.

If you are looking forward to wearing I.D. bracelets in order to enter your hotel rooms; personal police escorts to city-sponsored activities; plastic smiles on the faces of merchants that say "Yes", but mean "Hell no!"; if you enjoy giving your money to a city that has shunned your very existence in this nation ... by all means, go to Virginia Beach. You will have the time of your life.

But think about it, and then do the right thing. Say no to Virginia Beach.

Hamilton Plays To Win

By **PIERCE W. HUFF**

Sports Editor

Wide receiver Millard Hamilton has seen the football coaches come and go at Clark. His freshman year he was coached by Jesse McClardy. His sophomore and junior years he was coached by William Spencer. But as he enters his senior season under first-year head coach Willie Hunter, his third coach in four years, his desire to win remains a constant.

"I'm all about winning," Hamilton said.

Hamilton says that there is a huge difference between Coach McClardy, Coach Spencer, and Coach Hunter.

"Coach McClardy had a real rough style, he wanted us to play and really get after the opponents. Coach Spencer was real emotional. He would use negative newspaper clippings to try and get the team motivated. Coach Hunter believes in techniques and getting the team mentally in the game," Hamilton said.

Last year the 5 ft. 8 in., 165 pound Hamilton was the lone bright spot in the Panthers' dismal 3-7 season. He played wide receiver, returned punts, returned kickoffs and played safety. He also led the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (S.I.A.C.) with an average of 145.4 all-purpose yards per game.

This year Hamilton has been named second team wide

receiver and received honorable mention as a return specialists on the S.I.A.C. pre-season all conference team.

According to Coach Hunter, Hamilton's one of those players that coaches love to coach.

"Millard is just a top flight player," said Coach Hunter. "He's a good returner, a good special teams player, and one of the best downfield blockers around."

Hamilton said he developed his style of play by growing idolizing Chicago Bears running back Walter Payton and Pittsburgh Steelers wide receiver Lynn Swann.

"I borrowed Payton's physical play and determination, and Swann's speed and gracefulness," Hamilton said.

This year Hamilton says his goal, and his teammates goal, for the season is playing in the S.I.A.C. conference playoffs.

Hamilton dreams of playing in the National Football League, and that dream may be a reality. This year he has been visited from scouts from the New York Giants, the Dallas Cowboys and the Los Angeles Rams.

Hamilton reflects on his career and Clark and remembers what his mother told him when he decided to go to Clark.

Said Hamilton, "My mother said, 'If you're good, you'll be good anywhere,' and I guess it turned out to be true."



Sports, The Way It Is

By **PIERCE W. HUFF**

Sports Editor

LAY OFF STEINBRENNER

It seems like everyone these days is trashing former New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, but give the man a break! Forget the Spira incident. All the Yankees did during his tenure is win consecutive World Series in '77 and '78, three American League Eastern Division titles and one American League pennant. Steinbrenner's only crime, if it can be called such, was wanting to win too much. Ted Turner and Stan Kasten should be guilty of that with the Atlanta Braves.

NOTHING TO DANCE ABOUT

Why did Atlanta Falcons cornerback Deion Sanders have to dance after a 21-yard punt return in a preseason game against the Cincinnati Bengals? I could see it if Sanders had scored, but he didn't. If Sanders were a *real* competitor he would have been angry about not having scored a touchdown. Give me competitors like outfielder Kirk Gibson of the Los Angeles Dodgers. Two years ago in a meaningless game against the Atlanta Braves, Gibson flung his bat against the wall of the Dodgers' dugout after striking out in the ninth inning with a runner on scoring position. Now that's a competitor. As for now, Sanders is strictly a two-sport hotdog who can't even hold Bo Jackson's jockstrap.

HAIR'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH

Being the avid tennis player that I am, I couldn't help but almost faint when I read Andre Agassi's reason for skipping this year's Wimbledon. When a reporter for the *Los Angeles Times* asked Agassi why he skipped this year's Wimbledon, Agassi said: "I had a hair

appointment." And I thought tennis players skipped Grand Slam events because of something as insignificant as a death in their family, boy was I wrong.

LOOK OUT FOR THE DODGERS

The team to watch in the National League Western Division is not the defending champion San Francisco Giants, not the frontrunning Cincinnati Reds, but the Los Angeles Dodgers. Tommy Lasorda, Ramon Martinez, Eddie Murray and don't forget Kirk Gibson, are one major quartet. What about Martinez, the league leader in strikeouts, and ace of the Dodgers staff? Not bad for a man who in spring training had to fight for the fifth spot in the rotation. One guy who is hurt but doesn't get enough ink is shortstop Alfredo Griffin.

YANKS AHEAD?

In the "Interesting Stat Between Issues" department, as of Aug. 22, the New York Yankees were 24-23 against teams in their own division. I guess the Yankees aren't as bad as we think they are.

DON'T BET ON IT!

Question: Is the Atlanta Falcons preseason performance an indication that they might make the playoffs? The answer: No! The Falcons do have talent, but before you start getting those dusty Falcon Fever T-shirts out of the closet remember these two things: 1) they have two games against the San Francisco 49ers, the Los Angeles Rams and New Orleans Saints; and 2) they play the Philadelphia Eagles, the Cleveland Browns, and the Pittsburgh Steelers. No wonder the Falcons can't win their division. Their city is a one-word name. If they changed their name to the *At Lanta* Falcons, then maybe they could beat the *San Francisco* 49ers, the *Los Angeles* Rams and the *New Orleans* Saints.

Panthers Seek Key To Victory

By **PIERCE W. HUFF**

Sports Editor

With everyone on campus wondering how the Panthers plan on winning their season opener against Morris Brown College and avenging last year's 49-7 loss, first-year head coach Willie Hunter has found the solution.

The Panthers must stop the long pass.

"We've got to stop the long pass," Hunter said. "We can't allow Morris Brown to get that quick-hitting touchdown pass. We can't hold a team to third down and 15 yards and have them get a touchdown pass."

Hunter feels that in order for the Panthers to win, the defense and the special teams will have to have strong performances.

"We just can't allow them to get long runs from scrimmage and on the special teams," Hunter said.

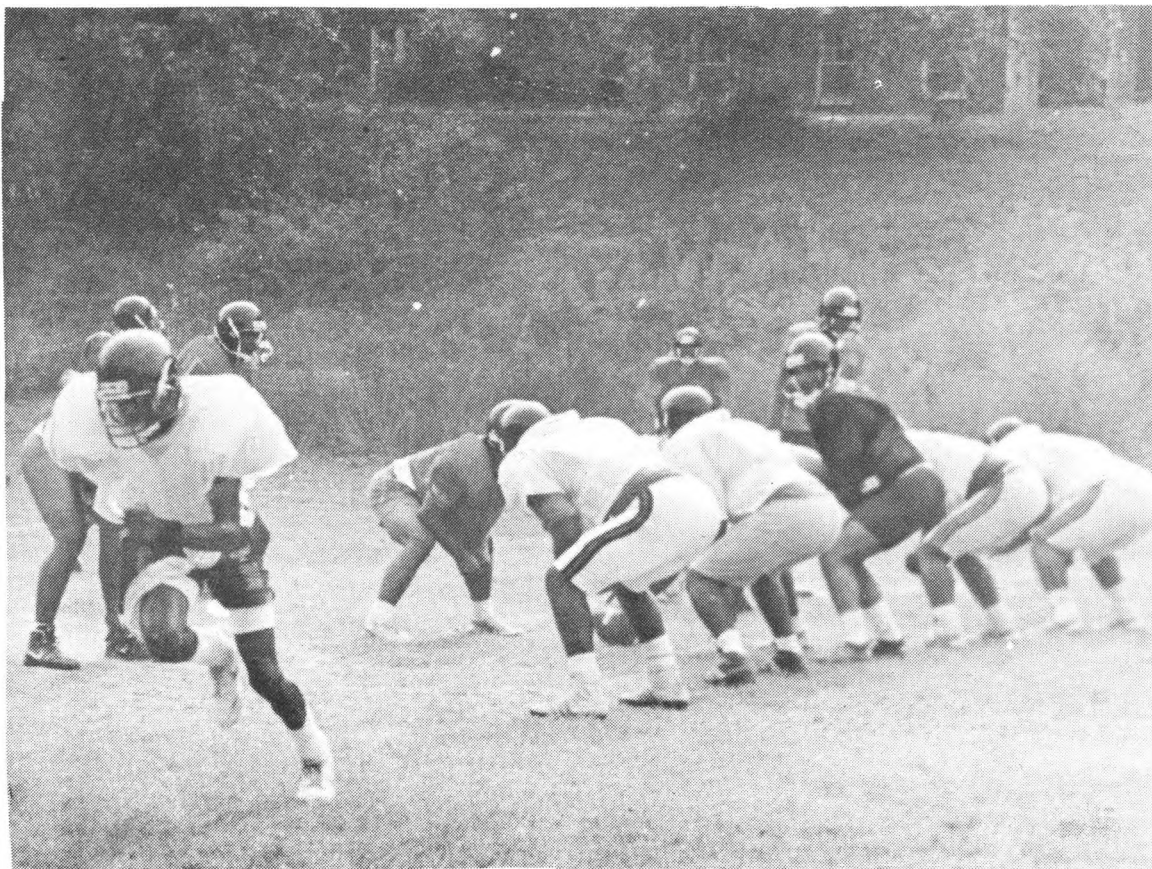
According to Hunter, stopping Morris Brown from making the long pass forces them to have to score on long drives.

"We've got to make Morris

Brown drive 50 to 60 yards in order to get a touchdown," said Hunter. "If we can make them drive and shut down the long pass, we'll be alright."

Meanwhile, three starters from last year's team have had their positions switched during summer practices. Alex Cottman, a 6-ft. 2-in., 290-pound nose tackle has been moved to offensive tackle. Ernest Bryant, a 6-ft. 3½-in., 225-pound defensive end has been moved to tight end. Anterious King, a 6-ft. 1-in., 235-pound defensive end has been moved to offensive tackle.

This year's team has nine returning offensive starters in quarterback Marlow Roberson, wide receiver Millard Hamilton, wide receiver Felix Lewis, wide receiver Ed Jones, offensive lineman Fred Williams, offensive lineman Tim Crowder and tight end Chris Hudson. The returning starters on defense are defensive tackle Dale Dixon, defensive tackle Richard Sieback and defensive back Claude Flynn.



All-SIAC wide receiver Millard Hamilton (left) goes in motion in practice. PHOTO BY RODNEY S. MATHEWS